

Domestic Violence Awareness Month October 2006

WHEREAS, the lives of women, men, children, extended families and communities continue to be negatively and, often, severely impacted by domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence is not confined to any group or groups of people, but crosses all economic, racial, and social segments of our society; and

WHEREAS, men and women alike must recognize the scope of this social problem and work together to create a community which does not tolerate domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara's human service agencies, including those represented by the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, provide vital services for families impacted by domestic violence and collaboratively plan programs to prevent the intergenerational cycle of violence; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara encourages all Santa Barbara residents to take a stand against domestic violence in their personal relationships and in their community,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, do hereby proclaim October 2004 as **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH** and urge all residents to be part of the <u>solution</u> to ending domestic violence in our City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California to be affixed this 4th day of October 2006.

Marty Blum, MAYOR